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SUBJ: FEASIBILITY STUDY PROPOSED BY TEXAS INSTRUMENTS,
INC., RE HIGH LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE STORAGE

REF A. STATE 40388 B. STATE A-12259 DTD 12/19/72

1. BY LETTER DTD MARCH 8 FROM WILHELCMI, AGENCY HAS
RESPONDED WITH FOLLOWING COMMENTS ON FEASIBILITY STUDY
PROPOSED BY TEXAS INSTRUMENTS, IND., RE INTERNATIONAL
DEPOSITORY FOR HIGH- LEVEL REAIOACTIVE WASTE STORAGE IN
ANTARCTIC ICE- CAP, WHICH WAS SUBMITTED TO AGENCY PER
REF B: (UNNECESSARY WORDS OMITTED)

A. " AGENCY DOES NOT HAVE FUNDS FOR FINANCIAL
SUPPORT OF ORDER OF MAGNITUDE REQUESTED FOR THIS STUDY.
NORMAL GRANTS FOR RESEARCH CONTRACTS ARE OF ORDER OF
\$4,000 PER ANNUM AND TOTAL RESEARCH CONTRACTS BUDGET
FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT LESS THAN \$100,000 PER YEAR."

B. " WE DO NOT FEEL THAT CONCEPT HAS RECEIVED
ADEQUATE DISCUSSION ON INTERNATIONAL BASIS TO MERIT
ENDORSEMENT OF AGENCY OF ITS UNILATERAL DEVELOPMENT
BY USAEC, THOUGH WE FEEL CONCEPT SHOULD BE RETAINED
AMONG THOSE NEW AND INNOVATIVE CONCEPTS FOR WHICH
PRELIMINARY FEASIBILITY STUDIES BEING MADE."

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C. " AGENCY CONSIDERING ESTABLISHMENT, IN LATE 1973 OR 1974, OF WORKING GROUP TO DISCUSS NEW AND INNOVATIVE CONCEPTS FOR MANAGEMENT OF HIGHLY RADIOACTIVE WASTES. WE FEEL THAT SUCH GROUP WOULD PROVIDE PROPER FORUM FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION OF MERITS THIS CONCEPT."

D. " IN VIEW ABOVE COMMENTS WE FEEL THAT ENDORSEMENT OR REJECTION OF CONCEPT BY AGENCY AT THIS TIME WOULD BE PREMATURE. IF YOU SO DESIRE WE COULD ARRANGE TO OBTAIN COMMENTS ON CONCEPT AND ON PROPOSAL FROM EXPERTS IN OTHER MEMBER STATES." PORTER

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